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**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

This is a supplemental response to the Office Advisory Action dated November 30, 2004 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.55.

In response to the Office's statement in its November 30, 2004 Advisory Action that "Applicant[s] cannot rely upon the foreign priority papers to overcome this rejection because a translation of said papers has not been made of record...", Applicants enclose herein a translation of said priority papers, Japanese application No. 8-112442, and a verification of the translation.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

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